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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Hiroto Okawara  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 19, 2006, please amend the above identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this Amendment.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this Amendment.

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